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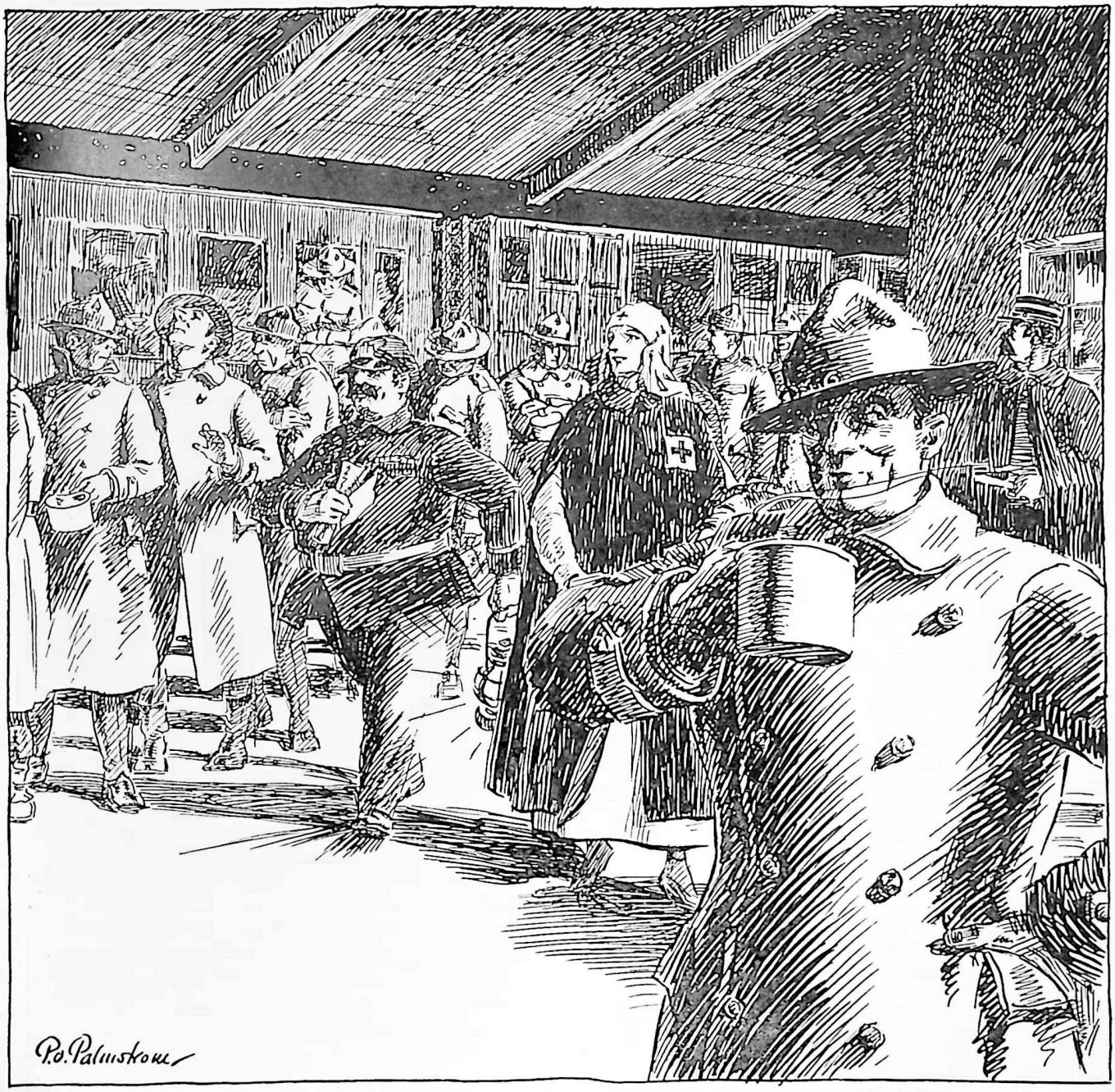

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DOINGS LATE THIS MONTH

The late publication date this month is due to two reasons; or rather one reason and one excuse. We were reluctant to go to press at all until there seemed to be assurance that funds were in sight to pay for printing the issue. And secondly, the editor took the first week of October as the second half of his vacation, delaying the sending in of copy until after his return. Sorry to have kept you waiting.

GUY P. GANNETT (HM)

In recognition of his splendid assistance to the Portland Convention Committee, the Executive Committee of the YD Veterans Association recently unanimously elected GUY P. GANNETT (HM), Portland publisher, to be an Honorary Member of the Association.

Mr. Gannett acknowledges the advice of this information stating that he "considers it a great honor and is deeply grateful."

ITS SOUL GOES MARCHING ON!

Last month DOINGS was in a gloomy frame of mind. The doubt was raised whether enough men still believed that the Y. D. V. A. had any worthwhile purpose in the world to struggle to maintain its identity. The answer has arrived. And how it warms the cockles of the hearts of the old warhorses who have been carrying on to bathe in the flood of appreciation and loyalty which has poured in from all over the country.

You know, sitting around the office most of the year, and only now and then hitting the trail to the native soil from whence the old YD sprung sort of freezes up the heart. You begin to wonder whether they have outlived the memories of our days together; whether they have come to evaluate all their associations for what practical benefit they can get out of them; whether their friendships for friendship's sake still mean anything to them. You begin to wonder if the few whose love for the YD takes the form of shouting its praises with the voice, befouling its name with actions, taking all it can give, and refusing to lift a finger in its behalf, truly represent the state to which the whole has fallen. Then you let this doubt find voice. And like the tramp of marching feet, like the songs which echoed along the roads of France, comes the answer! The heart is sound, the spirit lives, the soul goes marching on. To all the loyal friends who have sent stirring messages of reassurance and support, who have sent even more material assistance, DOINGS wants you to know that your loyalty has made us know what we were beginning to doubt; that this organization is still near to your heart, that it still has a reason for being. Thank you.

STILL MARKING TIME

This issue of DOINGS is still a shadow of its former self, and can only hope it makes up in conciseness what it lacks in bulk. Things look a little brighter than a month ago, but space must still be conserved to the limit. Once more apologies are offered to those whose contributions again fail to see the light of day. Scarcely a reader will disagree that solvency is the first concern of the Association, and paying bills is even more important than printing all contributions, no matter how worthy. And let it be repeated that the books are open to the inspection of any member who may have doubts that affairs are being run as economically as possible. So please consider that the fewer pages do not mean less news, but merely that it is boiled down to smaller space.

CHRISTMAS CARDS ARE HERE AGAIN

And what a value the Y. D. V. A. is offering this year! You have received your box: what do you think of it? Aren't the cards way ahead of anything your Association has offered in previous years? Show them to your friends when they call at your house and tell them how they can get them with no bother to themselves. Just send a dollar with their name and address to the Y. D. V. A., 200 Huntington Ave., and one Christmas shopping worry will be eliminated.

BETWEEN OURSELVES

The announcement made on this page last month that future editorials would take no stand and express no personal views on questions upon which the veteran body is divided has brought diverse and interesting comment from readers. Some approve; others feel that opinions are O.K. so long as they coincide with their own opinions, but should not be tolerated when they do not; some say that an editor should inject personality into editorials rather than be simply a mouthpiece for majority views; others that he has no such right. Nearly all however are kind enough to say that DOINGS' editorials on live topics of the day are what have served to distinguish it from other publications of like nature. They feel that to limit editorial observations to mere comment on the administration of the Y. D. V. A.—its purpose and progress—would soon make DOINGS just another "house organ", without character or vitality.

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Thus we execute another "about-face", a decision which comes not from within but as a result of these letters from readers, who, as a whole, seem to prefer views with which they can either enthusiastically agree or violently disagree rather than those upon which there is no difference of opinion and which leave them lukewarm. However, it is not a complete "about-face"; rather a half-about; for, while what follows concerns what is most certainly a "live topic of the day", it takes no sides, should arouse no dissension.

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The veteran is in the limelight to-day. To some he is a grasping, selfish, conscienceless monster; to others he is a down-trodden, abused and forgotten hero. To portray him as either the one thing or the other is to evoke loud praises from one group and violent abuse from the other. Strangely enough both groups are represented among readers of DOINGS: to please all is impossible. Yet, to remain silent in the white-hot controversy which, more than any other, has both political parties by the ears a few weeks before a presidential election, and instead to pussyfoot along talking about petty internal affairs, apparently pleases no one and leaves DOINGS spineless, "without form and void."

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After all, is the veteran either such a monster or such a martyr as the more rabid spokesmen of each group would have the country believe? Why is the veteran to be singled out for condemnation above all others for simply doing what all others do; namely considering his own welfare first? In addition to veterans who want only what they believe their due; are there not however others who want all that they feel it is in their power to get, by hook or by crook, no matter who pays the fiddler? Of course there are; why deny it? But is the veteran to be ridiculed who questions the sincerity of men who would reduce taxes by curtailing the government's generosity to everyone but themselves? Hardly!

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In other words, there is a whole lot of right and a whole lot of wrong on both sides. When the veteran feels that the country he served in her hour of need should remember him in his hour of need, he is right. When he feels that because he is a veteran and is organized a million strong, he should use his power to make life a little easier for himself and a little harder for the other fellow, he is wrong, dead wrong. When the "anti-veteran" feels that the citizens of the country should not be called upon to support a favored group, he is right. But when *he* feels he should use *his* power not only to deprive the few unscrupulous veterans of unfair and wholly unwarranted advantages, but *all* veterans of *all* privileges, then he is wrong, dead wrong. And when he talks of government expense while pocketing far larger sums of public money with far less excuse for doing so than the average veteran, his arguments are due for scant consideration.

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Let us not add the fuel of hot-blooded and illogical arguments to the already roaring fire. After all, we are citizens as well as veterans. Let us be fair enough and intelligent enough while proclaiming that in our own ranks there are many, many splendid citizens, giving far more to the nation than they are asking of it; to admit that there are also a few self-seeking grafters who give nothing and ask everything. And that in the other camp, there are both those who oppose only graft, and those who oppose veterans on general principles.

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The American public is aroused but not deceived. It will countenance neither ingratitude nor graft. It will see that every reasonable demand of the veteran is met; it will see that every purely selfish demand is refused. Depend upon it that neither the ballyhoo veteran whose goal is a life in which he shall toil not —neither shall he spin, nor the pension-pocketing, "anti-veteran" crusader for lower expenses will long fool the people now that they have set to thinking things out.

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Do not be afraid to be a veteran, jealously guarding your rights, your self-respect; demanding that your service shall be neither belittled nor forgotten. Do not be afraid to be a citizen; disowning and casting out from the ranks of veterandom the leech, the parasite, the schemer, the gold-bricker, the grafter, the unworthy and incapable seeker for glory or fortune. Thus will the veteran stand clean and decent before the world; and thus will you be most true both to your comrades-in-arms and to the country you call your own.

EMERGENCY RELIEF

Faced with a red-ink balance in midyear, with nearly all the expectable revenue in, but with half the expenses of the year yet to be incurred, your officers (Y. D. V. A.) laid their heads together in September to wrestle with an emergency.

It is due our readers to know what steps have been taken and with what results.

General COLE (LM), feeling that at least part of the stringency was caused by the expense of the Convention falling in his administration as President, agreed to issue a personal appeal to a selected list of members of the Association to whom a donation of not more than $25.00 would entail no real hardship. This was done. To date it has netted approximately $500.00. This has eased but by no means ended the emergency. To the men who gave this material evidence of their support, the Y. D. V. A. publicly offers its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation. Their names are printed in connection with this article. To General COLE (LM) for his willingness—eagerness—to be of help, no words of praise are too loud.

Elsewhere in this number are printed brief excerpts from some of the letters which accompanied the donations, all expressing loyalty and support of the organization.

Further steps to raise funds to meet the expenses for the balance of the year will be announced in YANKEE DOINGS. The officers look for the support of the members in carrying out a winter program which will "balance the budget".

Those who have sent in checks in answer to General COLE's letter, are, to date:

Col. GEORGE A. ROBERTS (M), Col. GEORGE S. PENNEY (M), Maj. ARTHUR N. PAYNE (M), EDGAR A. ERLANDSON (M), Capt. RICHARD PETERS (M), Gen. WILLIAM LASSITER (M), Governor NORMAN S. CASE (M), Maj. STILLMAN F. WESTBROOK (M), ROBERTS K. SKINNER (M), MALCOLM JENNEY (M), CARLETON S. WHITNEY (M), ALFRED BECK, JR. (M), MELBERT B. CARY, JR. (M), Col. JAMES L. HOWARD (M), Dr. CONRAD WESSELHOEFT (M), Maj. WILLIAM H. DOLAN (M), Col. PORTER B. CHASE (M), Col. BENJAMIN H. TICKNOR (M), Judge KENNETH D. JOHNSON (M), Capt. THEODORE L. STORER (M), Gen. JOHN H. SHERBURNE (LM), Dr. FRANK W. STEVENS (M), SLATER WASHBURN (M), Col. SHERMAN N. SHUMWAY (M), GEORGE WILLIAM BENTLEY (M), Rev. GEORGE S. L. CONNOR (M), Maj. Gen. ERLAND F. FISH (LM), Gen. ARTHUR DESMOND (M), Maj. FRANK J. ABBOTT (M), WILLIAM J. SAYERS (M), Rev. MICHAEL J. O'CONNOR (M), Col. WILLARD LUTHER (M), Dr. JAMES GLASS (M), Dr. ROBERT O. BLOOD (M), Dr. FRED JONES (M), Gen. GEORGE S. SIMONDS (M), Dr. WILLIAM H. BLANCHARD (M), Col. WILLIAM J. KEVILLE (LM), Capt. SINCLAIR WEEKS (M), Col. M. E. LOCKE (M), ELIOT A. CARTER (M), PHILIP H. ENGLISH (M), Gen. B. FRANK CHEATHAM (M), Col. CHARLES C. STANCHFIELD (M).

COMING EVENTS

NATIONAL YD CONVENTION, CONCORD, N. H., JUNE (Date to be announced) 1933.

YD Club of Springfield: November 23, First Anniversary, Presentation of Official Charter.

YD Auxiliary, Boston: November 5, Bazaar at YD Club of Boston.

E Company, 102nd Infantry: Annual Reunion, New Milford, Conn., October 29.

101st M.G. Battalion: Annual Reunion, Oasis Club, East Hartford, Conn., November 12.

II Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery: Battalion Reunion, Stamford, Conn., November 11, 2:00 P. M.

101st Military Police: Annual Reunion, State Armory, Concord, Mass., November 5.

Hq. 51st Field Artillery Brigade: Reunion, Hotel Lenox, Boston, Sunday, October 30, 11:00 A. M.

(In future issues DOINGS will publish insofar as the information is available, regular meeting dates of regimental and company units, councils and executive committees, Y. D. V. A. chapters, and YD posts of A. L. and V. F. W., in addition to annual banquet and reunion dates. Get your information in in advance.)

"ANCIENTS" DECORATE GRAVE OF GENERAL EDWARDS

On Tuesday, October 4, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts visited Arlington cemetery in Washington and conducted ceremonies at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and also at the grave of its Past Honorary member, our beloved leader, Major General CLARENCE R. EDWARDS.

The ceremonies at the Unknown Soldier were very impressive, the wreath being laid by the Lieut. General ALFRED F. FOOTE (M), who gave a most eloquent address. After this ceremony the Company formed at the grave of General EDWARDS, where the wreath was laid by the Adjutant of the Company, Lieut. Colonel HENRY D. CORMERAIS (M), former A. D. C. to General Edwards. The Company presented arms, taps were blown by the bugler and the band played the old familiar strains, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic".

Among the many members of the Yankee Division who attended the ceremonies were: Lieut. General ALFRED F. FOOTE (M), Brig. General JOHN H. AGNEW (M), Brig. General GEORGE G. MOYSE, Lieut. Colonel PORTER B. CHASE (M), Lieut. Colonel JAMES G. RIVERS, Colonel CHARLES C. STANCHFIELD (M) and many others.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
IN
YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION
200 HUNTINGTON AVENUE
BOSTON, MASS.

Name in full ..... Rank .....
(Please Print)

Outfit ....
(Company) (Regiment)

Served with 26th Division from ..... to .....
(Date) (Date)

Mail Address .....

Date..... .....
APPLICANTS NAME

THREE BIRDS WITH ONE STONE

Here is a chance for members to show the stuff they are made of.

MAKE A FRIEND A PRESENT OF A MEMBERSHIP.

Whether or not you afterward collect the $2.00 from him, is up to you.

Think what it would mean if EVERY member used the blank printed this month, filling in the name of a YD friend who is not a member of the Association, and sending it in with the $2.00 dues.

In the first place, it would put the organization firmly on its feet, for while it costs more than $2.00 a year to supply 2000 readers with YANKEE DOINGS, each one beyond that number brings the cost lower and lower.

In the second place you, yourself, would get increased dividends in larger and more interesting issues. There would be both more news and more money to print it with.

In the third place you would be doing a favor for the man you signed up; who perhaps would never get around to it himself, but who, once in, would be very likely to stay in.

And in the fourth place you would be building up the size and strength of the organization.

Your $2.00 would pay triple returns. It would bring $2.00 worth of enjoyment to your friend, $2.00 in working capital to the organization, and $2.00 in bigger DOINGS to you.

Let's put it this way: you agree to get one new member (and his money) before Armistice Day, or to penalize yourself for your laziness and inefficiency by paying his dues yourself by that date. Is that a sporting proposition? Your editor announces that he has started the ball rolling by making a member of an old friend, and has paid his dues. Here's the blank: hop to it, his money by your work, or your own money if you're too lazy. Is it a go?

PLEDGE

I promise either to:

1. Sign up one new member by November 11.

or

2. Impose upon myself a fine of $2.00 which shall be applied as a gift of membership to whomever I may name.

Signed:.....

New memberships in the Y. D. V. A. for $2.00 should be confined to men with mailing addresses beyond the 15 mile resident area of the YD Club of Boston.

PLEASE SIGN THIS PLEDGE AND MAIL IT TO SECRETARY, Y. D. V. A.

MORALE RESTORERS

Since last month's DOINGS editorial appeared, seeking to determine just how important or unimportant the Y. D. V. A. is to its members, whether they believe it fulfills a purpose all its own, many splendid letters have been received, from which the following excerpts are taken.

ART FREY (M) (A Batt., 103rd F. A.), Hightstown, N. J.: "The Y. D. V. A. must go forward. It must not be let down. It should mean more to every YD man than any other veteran organization."

From a member who prefers that his name not be mentioned: "Returning to-day, DOINGS was the first old friend to greet me. Digging around in my old jeans I found a ten-spot that hadn't been spent, so I am sending it to you. Don't change your style of writing. If you are hurting any one they are easily hurt. Why have a chin if you can't take it on it once in awhile."

From LOUIS A. DONAHUE (M) (101st Inf.), President of the YD Club of Portland, Maine: "The same old YD spirit is just as real a thing now as ever; it was strikingly in evidence at this year's Convention. Good luck, old man, we will do all we possibly can to help out."

From another who chooses to be nameless, and who, because of a run of hard luck which prevented his paying his dues, sent with his letter a rare old two-shilling "Pine Tree" note to be sold to a collector in payment of dues: "We aren't all dead yet, so why should we anticipate the great reaper by slacking off at the very time when the good old punch is needed. Our organization is too truly representative of the grand old Division to be disrupted by ANYTHING —even a real, hard-boiled depression."

Gen. WILLIAM LASSITER (M), Santa Barbara, Calif.: "YD Veterans Association has big opportunity, and I hope it will take advantage of its opportunities always and in full measure. YANKEE DOINGS editorials are sound and good."

ROBERTS K. SKINNER (M) (101st M. G. Bn.), Hartford, Conn.: "Many of us belong to the Y. D. V. A. principally because we could not live without YANKEE DOINGS."

MALCOLM JENNEY (M) (Hq. Troop, 26th Div.), Boston: "Would hate to see DOINGS cease publication, particularly during present editorship. I feel that the editorials have been as fine expressions of patriotism and citizenship as I have read, and are worthy of a much broader circulation than our small magazine can give them."

CARLETON S. WHITNEY (M) (101st Engrs.), Boston: [To General COLE (LM)]: "I want to let you know that I appreciate the work you have done for this Association, and I know that BILL BROWN (LM) will carry it on in the same spirit."

Col. JAMES L. HOWARD (M) (Hq. 26th Div.), Hartford, Conn.: "Sincerely trust that you have no difficulty in raising the necessary funds to tide over your present difficulty, which all of us share."

Dr. CONRAD WESSELHOEFT (M) (104th Inf.), Boston: "Thank you for including me among those whom you have approached to help out the YD Veterans Association."

Maj. "BILL" DOLAN (M) (Hq. 26th Div.), Fitchburg, Mass.: "These are hard times, but we can always squeeze out a few dollars for the old YD."

Col. PORTER B. CHASE (M) (101st Engrs.), Boston: "It is a source of regret that I cannot make a larger contribution than the enclosed, but be assured that from time to time others will be sent to make perhaps a better showing."

Judge KEN JOHNSON (M) (103rd F.A.), Milton, Mass.: "This outfit is indeed close to my heart, and I only wish it were possible for me to do more than is represented by the enclosed check."

Lt. Col. SHERMAN N. SHUMWAY (M) (103rd Inf.), Bangor, Maine: "If you have difficulty in raising the necessary funds, call on me again, and I will certainly try to help a little further."

Rev. GEORGE S. L. CONNOR (M) (101st Tr. Hq. & M. P.), Springfield, Mass.: "Just a mite, but gladly given for the old outfit."

YD MEN CITED

The following Yankee Division men are cited for gallantry in action, and awarded the silver star upon the ribbon of the Victory medal, in General Orders No. 6, July 11, 1932:

EDWARD C. BELL, formerly Captain, 102nd Infantry, for gallantry in action near Bois de Belleu, France, October 27, 1918.

FREDERICK FERRON, formerly sergeant, E Company, 102nd Infantry, for gallantry in action near Bois de la Reine, France, October 27, 1918.

PHILIP LEVY, formerly private, G Company, 102nd Infantry, for gallantry in action near Bois de la Reine, October 27, 1918.

(Posthumously) ARTHUR L. POLSON, formerly private, first class, C Co., 101st Field Signal Battalion, for gallantry in action during the attack on Seicheprey, France, April 20, 1918.

THE TRUTH AT LAST!

Clipped by CHARLEY HURTER (M) (101st Engrs.) from article in a Boston Sunday paper: "Modern war is waged by soldiers and won by engineers, and this will be more apparent than ever in the next major war." And while we're on the subject of Engineers, here is a true story. Some bird in Washington who was grading his yard thought to give some of the B. E. F. a few hours work and hired three of them to wheel barrows of gravel for him. After about fifteen minutes they came to ask if he had a rope and some pulleys. Seems they figured on pulling the loads across the yard on a suspended cable. Inquiry revealed that the poor boob had picked three ex-Engineers for his detail.

ANNUAL CONVENTION, 101st INFANTRY

South Boston, September 8, 9, 10

How the dickens YANKEE DOINGS is going to crowd into a page this size what it took the Boston Sunday papers whole columns to cover, starting off with the leading headline on page 1, is just one of those problems that arise to perplex harassed editors.

Lets get at the facts first. Whether this was the ninth, tenth or whatever annual convention it chanced to be, it was the second "real" one on a big scale, the first taking place at Clinton a year ago. And this one so far outdistanced even that gala affair, in attendance and enthusiasm that it set a difficult mark for future Conventions of the 101st Infantry Veterans Association to shoot at.

Held in old "Southie", the home of the regiment's commanding officer Col. (now Lieut. General) "EDDIE" LOGAN (M), as well as of many of the men, the gathering had something of a home-coming atmosphere. If ever Col. LOGAN (M) was given ample evidence of the place he holds in the affection of his men, it was given to him on this occasion.

Starting in with registration on Friday, September 9, that evening was devoted to impromptu reunions —the "Well, I'll be damned, look who's here, you old so-and-so" stage of the Convention. You know how it is.

The opening evening also was the date of the Grand Military Ball in the Municipal Building, a colorful spectacle which proved to be one of the highlights of the entire convention.

Business Meeting

The big works commenced on Saturday morning, with the business session, called to order at 11:00 o'clock by President JAMES A. CRESSWELL (M) (K Co.). Business transacted: Greetings of City of Boston by Street Commissioner "Teddy" Glynn, representing Mayor Curley. Welcome speech by EDWARD M. QUINN (Supply Co.), Chairman of Convention Committee. (The Supply Co. was the "host" to this year's convention.) Greetings of Governor Ely from Adjt. General JOHN H. AGNEW (M). Tribute to the dead of the regiment by Chaplain "POP" DAVIS of YD Post 290. Remarks by JAMES T. DUANE (M), former state commander A. L., Pres. and WILLIAM J. BROWN (LM) who brought the greetings of the YD Veterans Ass'n.

The principal addresses were delivered by Congressman John W. McCormack and Cong. WILLIAM P. CONNERY (M) both of whom brought cheers from the assembly in their defense of the veteran in his fight for the bonus. "BILLY" CONNERY (M) spoke highly of the type of men composing the B. E. F. and of General GLASSFORD (M). Congressman McCormack criticised the National Economy League. Resolutions passed: (1) Calling for immediate payment of the bonus. (2) Calling for repeal of the 18th Amendment. (3) Thanking the people of South Boston for their co-operation with the Convention Committee. (4) Opposing the efforts of the National Economy League to take away any existing veteran benefits. (5) Expressing sympathy upon the death of Rep. Ellick of Tennessee, who died while speaking in Congress for payment of the bonus. (6) In favor of a pension for widows and orphans of war veterans. (7) Calling for complete reorganization of Federal Government to eliminate overlapping of departments and bureaus and adding unnecessarily to the cost of government. (8) Praising Police Chief P. D. GLASSFORD (M) for his handling of the B. E. F.

No choice was made for next year's convention city.

New Officers Elected

The election of the following officers concluded the business session: President, DANIEL P. BRENNAN (M) (M Co.) of Lowell; First Vice President, JOSEPH P. O'LAUGHLIN; Second Vice President, A. J. "GUS" FURDON (M) (C Co.) of Newton; Secretary, WILLIAM T. GOLDEN (M) (Supply Co.) of Medford; Treasurer, ALBERT PACIFICI (M) (B Co.) of Somerville; Historian, WILLIAM HALL of Natick; Judge Advocate, HALE POWER (Hq. Co.) of Boston; Sergeant-at-Arms, RICHARD MERRICK (M) (Supply Co.) of Somerville. A band concert by JIMMY COUGHLIN'S 101st Infantry Band took place outside the municipal building while the meeting was in session. (In addition to the regimental officers, each company unit has its own officers who comprise the regimental council.)

In the afternoon, memorial ceremonies were held at MICHAEL J. PERKINS Square, in honor of "Micky" PERKINS, the regiments only Congressional Medal of Honor man, who was killed in the act which brought him his country's highest award. Maj. VINCENT C. BREEN, formerly of D Company, in which Micky served presided, and a platoon of men of that company took part in the exercises. Gen. LOGAN (M) and Commissioner Glynn paid tribute to the dead hero's memory. The band of Michael J. Perkins Post played appropriate music.

Colorful Street Parade

The big parade, starting shortly after 3:00 o'clock was the high-water mark of the Convention. 12,000 were in line, the spectacle eclipsing even South Boston's famous Evacuation Day parades of many a March 17. Gen. LOGAN (M) was Honorary Marshal, and Captain JOHN J. LYDON was Chief Marshal. Chief of Staff was JOHN J. KELLY (M), former president of the 101st Association. Maj. VINCENT C. BREEN (M) was marshal of the First Division, in-

cluding the Navy Yard Band; Detachment of U. S. Marines; the 101st Infantry, M. N. G., Col. FRANCIS LOGAN, (M) Commanding; the 332nd Infantry; the Lawrence Light Guards in their colorful dress uniforms; the Emmett Guards of Worcester; Artillery, Cavalry and Military Police detachments. In the following three divisions were scores of Legion and V. F. W. bands and drum corps, each with their distinguishing bright uniform, and the thousands of just plain buck privates of the 101st Infantry Veterans Association, led by President JIM CRESSWELL (M).

Following the parade a Drum Corps competition was held under the direction of MARK KING (M), Commander of YD Post. The skilled precision and sparkling uniforms of the competing corps aroused the enthusiasm of the hundreds of spectators.

Winners:

Class "A"—1st Prize $100.00, Brockton, A. L.; 2nd Prize $50.00, Marlboro, A. L.

Class "B"—1st Prize $100.00, Rockland, A. L.; 2nd Prize $50.00, Old Dorchester, A. L.

This was followed by a fireworks display.

Machine Gun Company dedicated a memorial tablet on the Richardson Building, corner Brookline Ave. and Jersey St., Boston, to GEORGE LINCOLN RICHARDSON, a soldier of that company who lost his life October 24, 1918, north of Verdun.

Regimental Banquet

President JIM CRESSWELL (M) was presiding officer; BILLY CONNERY (M) toastmaster; Gen. LOGAN (M), President-elect BRENNAN (M), Cong. McCormack, Commissioner Glynn, Gen. AGNEW (M), Gen. JOHN H. DUNN (M) and Capt. WILLIAM J. BROWN (LM), guests of honor at the monster banquet in the Municipal Building on Saturday evening. All of these were introduced for brief remarks in BILLY CONNERY's (M) inimitable manner, concluding with Gen. LOGAN (M) as principal speaker of the evening, who concluded his address by pinning a gold medal to the breast of Past President CRESSWELL (M).

From the close of the banquet until dawn found reunions in every corner of "Southie", indoors and out, such reunions as only old soldiers know the meaning of.

OMISSION

In the list of organizations participating in the arrangements for the 1933 YD Convention in Concord, printed in last month's DOINGS, there was one serious omission—that of the New Hampshire YD Association. HAROLD BERRIE (M), Adjutant of the state association, very tactfully called DOINGS attention to the mistake, and we hasten to make this correction.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. HOMER N. BASTIEN (M) (B Co., 104th Inf.), announce the birth of a son on August 30.

"P. D." GLASSFORD (M)

Probably no YD man since the death of General EDWARDS has been in the limelight to the extent which Gen. P. D. GLASSFORD (M) has during the last few months. As Chief of Police of Washington, his term of office had scarcely started when he was plunged into the sensational events surrounding the B. E. F. and its eventual eviction from the capital city.

Each day the respect and esteem in which he was regarded by veterans and non-veterans alike has grown as the country watched his tactful and sympathetic handling of a delicate situation. That he was eventually overruled has only increased the nation's regard for him. For the public statement of the Attorney General that Glassford admitted the situation was beyond his control and asked for military assistance was immediately denied by the scrappy brigadier, much to the surprise and chagrin of officialdom.

In Washington, from whence your correspondent has just returned, there seems little doubt but that he is in very, very wrong.* Yet strangely enough all one hears are his praises.

For inside dope, read "More Merry-go-Round", in which it is stated that when Glassford was ordered to evict the bonuseers by any means at all, he asked for written orders—which never came.

*Since above was written, Gen. GLASSFORD's (M) resignation has become news.

YD MAN HONORED

Major EDWIN H. COOPER (M), Division Photographer, was recently honored by election to the office of National Commander of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor, at its convention in Baltimore. The Legion of Valor consists of men who have been awarded either the Congressional Medal of Honor or the Distinguished Service Cross.

INFORMAL YD MEETING IN WASHINGTON

During a recent visit of your editor to Washington, he felt almost unnecessarily honored by the calling together of an informal meeting of some of the members of the YD Club of Washington. However it was a most pleasant little gathering at the home of Club President BYRON G. CARSON (M) in Valley Vista apartments, and it looked as if everyone were glad of an excuse to get together for an evening. Beside Carson and the writer, there were present: RAY QUEENIN (M), JIM GRAHAM (M), NATE GOLDEN (M), DAVE HERMAN (M) and a Mr. Baker, an honorary member of the Washington Club. Last, but not least, Mrs. Carson, who produced "the "makin's" of sandwiches and coffee. The YD's "big shots" in town, "HAPPY" GLASSFORD (M), Chief of Police; and Gen. SIMONDS (M), Commandant of the Army War College, sent their regrets.

YD "BABY CONVENTION" IN RUTLAND, VERMONT

When the YD National Convention goes to Vermont, as it undoubtedly will before many years, be prepared for anything—ANYTHING! We used to have the idea that of all places in the world, Vermont was about the most conservative and "moderate"; whether the impression came from Cal Coolidge or our own Vermont forebears or the cool Green Mountains we can't say. But after the YD reunion in St. Johnsbury a year ago, and the one held on September 24 and 25 this year in Rutland, all those notions have been thrown overboard. When it comes to a rip-snorting, wide-open, lid-busting hullabaloo, the Vermonters know how to produce the makin's; and proceed to do so.

This year's affair was a 2-in-1 sort of a time. It was the annual Vermont get-together of YD men of all outfits, sponsored by the Y. D. V. A. in its program of building up interest in the several New England states; and it was also the annual reunion of the 102nd Machine Gun Battalion, which foregathers every Spring in Boston and every Fall somewhere in Vermont. The M. G. end of it is reported by Guy Bean (M) in the "Outfits" department. Your present writer will confine himself to the YD part.

The object of these state meetings is (1) to strengthen the Y. D. V. A. by increasing membership and organizing state and local chapters; and (2) to provide a reunion in the home state of those who perhaps fail to attend the "big" National Convention, thus sowing the seed for future Conventions.

Each state meeting is the duty of the Vice President of the state, in the case of Vermont, Jack B. Wood (M) (103rd M. G. Bn.), Mayor of St. Albans. However, although Jack was nominally in command, the man on the spot was one "Slopsy" Cocklin (M) (102nd M.G. Bn.) of Rutland, to whom Wood (M) delegated the authority of carrying out the meeting.

As this is sort of an eye-witness account (deleted and censored where necessary), what took place prior to Saturday evening, at which time your correspondent succeeded in transporting his superior officer, President Bill Brown (LM) down the main street of Rutland, after an eventful, and oft-interrupted motor trip from Boston, will have to be told second hand—as it was told to us.

It seems on Saturday morning a business meeting was held at which the Vermont YD Association was organized for the purpose of a state-wide drive to interest former YD men in the Y. D. V. A., and the formation of local chapters. The following officers were elected: Raymond J. Cocklin (M), Rutland, President; Simon Godfrey, St. Albans, 1st Vice President; Joseph Abair, Montpelier, 2nd Vice President; Warren Clifford, St. Johnsbury, 3rd Vice President; Charles Gleason, Cavendish, 4th Vice President; Abe Wilson, Fair Haven, Secretary; Earl McGuire, Rutland, Treasurer. The Executive Committee consists of the National V.P. for Vermont, the President and four Vice Presidents of the state Association, and the following additional members: Ellery Lyndes, Springfield; Pearl T. Clapp (M), Brattleboro; and R. A. Buzzell, Newport. National V.P. Wood (M) and State Pres. Cocklin (M) are now drawing up working arrangements for carrying out the new state unit's plans.

It also seems that on Saturday afternoon there was a parade. That it was a good parade, we have no doubt, but we didn't get there in time to see it or be in it, and when we DID arrive, no one was in a condition to describe it, so it must remain a beautiful mystery.

Then, following what is euphoniously known as "the cocktail hour", held largely in "Slopsy's" room at the hotel, and offering such diverting side shows as elbow-bending, choral singing and bed-leaping, came the banquet. Just who was the guest of honor, your reporter cannot say. Lieut. Governor Ben Williams was there; also the Mayor of Rutland (not to be outdone by the Mayor of St. Albans, our own Jack Wood (M), the Chief of Police, Roy Leonard; the Chief of the Fire Department, known as "Jake"; and numerous functionaries of civic and veteran bodies. Whether it was a YD banquet or a 102nd M.G. banquet nobody seemed to know. However, no one seemed to care a hoot either way, and the goose hung high. Six or eight gentlemen spoke, notably President Bill Brown (LM).

Among the Boston delegation, we spotted Major John Sanborn, Guy Bean (M), Buck Freeman (M), Att Havlin (M), Harry Rood (M), Devereaux, George Bentley (M), all of the 102nd M.G. Battalion; Ben James (M) (101st F. A.); Wally Day (M) (104th Inf.); Henry Chapin (M) who came by airplane. Many Vermont faces we cannot name, but among others were Dan Dowd (M) (103rd Amb. Co.), Harry Bugbee (M) (104th Inf.), Warren Clifford (102nd M.G. Bn.), Charley Brownlow (M) (M.G. Co., 103rd Inf.). About 100 in all attended the gathering.

Then "Slopsy" and his cohorts rolled up their sleeves and produced the "big works." A twenty-mile trip over the New York state line, by bus and private cars led to a place which we believe is called a roadhouse —to two road houses in fact—as the maestro of the first demurred loud and high against the proposed program for the evening. The No. 1 man of the second jernt was more broad-minded, and so—on with the show! Between frequent trips to a well stocked and brass-foot-railed bar, the spectators were instructed in the science of anatomy and muscular calisthenics by instructresses imported from the bold, bad city of Boston. Dawn found small groups rolling (excuse it, their cars were rolling) back into Rutland.

Sorry we haven't a roster of all present; but perhaps just as well. Officially we don't know a single soul who had attended the grand finale. No, sure not, madam, your hubbie was one of those who went straight to bed after the banquet.

—P. N. S. (M)

YD OVERSEAS MEMORIAL

The following letter has been received by General SHERBURNE (LM) from Capt. BERNARD CARTER (M) in Paris.

Dear General Sherburne,

I have just received a letter from Abbe Combes, the Cure of Torcy-Belleau, dated September 27th, as follows:

"Dear Mr. Carter,

"The stained glass windows for Belleau Church arrived safely and were all in place last Sunday. Tomorrow the masons are going to do the final work of sealing them in place. Consequently I hope you will find it possible to come and admire the beautiful effect which they give. They bestow on your lovely church quite a different aspect which is all to its advantage.

"I accept with deep gratitude the chalice, the paten and the casket for the Holy Sacrament of the Reverend LYMAN ROLLINS, Chaplain of the 101st U. S. Infantry. In making use of them for the celebration of mass each Sunday, I shall have a special thought for him and for the brave men whom he prepared for death. In doing so I am sure that I will fulfill the secret desire of this good man.

"With my warm thanks, believe me,

"Yours very sincerely,

SD. COMBES."

I shall make every effort to get down to Belleau in the near future as I am very keen to see how the windows look.

Mr. d'Estailleur informs me that he has redesigned the pillars of the new gate so that they bear the insignia of the Yankee Division. This has unfortunately caused a little delay in starting the work, as it involves the usual red tape in order to obtain authority for the town of Belleau to assume the slight additional expense. Mr. d'Estailleur promised, however, that the work will be completed this Fall.

—BERNARD S. CARTER (M)

MEMORIAL TO CHAPLAIN ROLLINS

As most readers of YANKEE DOINGS know, the body of Chaplain LYMAN ROLLINS, formerly of the 101st Infantry, is buried in Concord, New Hampshire. The City of Concord has given a large lot (30 feet square) upon which it is planned to erect a simple and dignified memorial to the beloved Chaplain.

A local committee, of which Mr. George B. Lauder is Chairman and Dr. ROBERT O. BLOOD (M) Secretary, has been formed to raise funds and carry into execution the erection of this memorial marker or monument.

It is the plan of this committee to raise the sum of $1500.00, based on estimates and sketches it has already obtained. Part of this sum will be raised from among the civilian friends and admirers of the Chaplain, in Concord, and Marblehead, Mass., while it is the hope of the committee that the men of the 101st Infantry will subscribe the remainder. To carry out this part of the plan, President DANIEL P. BRENNAN (M) of the 101st Infantry Veterans Association has been asked to serve on the Rollins Memorial Committee, and to give each member of the old 101st the opportunity to donate a small amount to the fund.

It is planned to have the memorial completed for unveiling at the YD Convention in Concord in June, and the "new" 101st Infantry, Col. FRANCIS LOGAN (M) commanding, will be invited to participate in the ceremonies.

GEORGES FRANCOIS RETURNS

Only the earliest readers of DOINGS will remember Georges. But here he is back again after all these years.

Mons pete bouchard

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georges francois.

CONCORD ORGANIZING FOR YD CONVENTION

Although still eight months away, the next National YD Convention in Concord, New Hampshire, next June, is already being planned out in detail by a well organized committee comprising representatives of many business and civic bodies of the city, as well as prominent YD men.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. ROBERT O. BLOOD (M), who is also Vice President for New Hampshire of the Y. D. V. A., a substantial groundwork has been laid which assures the very essential co-operation and support of city and state authorities, merchants and business men. In other words, the Convention next June will not be simply a gathering of YD men putting on their own show. It will be that of course, but it will be more than that. For the veterans of the Division will be the official guests of the State of New Hampshire and the City of Concord. It will be a state, city and YD event, all in one; and promises to equal if not surpass the splendidly successful convention in Portland.

The following names of the men already serving on the Convention Committee show the whole-hearted support Concord is giving: Dr. ROBERT O. BLOOD (M), Chairman of Committee, Vice President for New Hampshire of Y. D. V. A., President of New Hampshire YD Association; Hon. Robert Brown, Mayor of Concord; Herbert R. Hutchinson, President of Concord Chamber of Commerce; Joseph M. Lucier, Secretary of Chamber of Commerce; George W. Conway, former Commander, A. L.; Donald Knowlton, President of Kiwanis Club; Rev. B. N. Lovgren, representing churches; Carl E. Nason, Commander, A. L.; Mayland H. Morse, former President Concord Rotary Club; Joseph F. Hoyt, Chairman Retail Division, C. of C.; Harry Lougee, former Commander V. F. W.; Clarence A. Burt, United Spanish War Veterans; George B. Lauder, Chairman Chaplain ROLLINS Memorial Committee; HAROLD M. BERRIE (M), Adjutant New Hampshire YD Association; ANDREW SALTMARSH (M), President YD Club of Concord; RICHARD W. BROWN, Secretary YD Club of Concord; PHILIP N. SANBORN (M), National Secretary, YD Veterans Association. In addition to these it is planned to add to the Committee at an early date a representative from each of the cities and larger towns of New Hampshire, a representative of the state government of New Hampshire. By forming a committee composed of both YD men and non-YD men occupying important city positions, Dr. BLOOD (M) has planned wisely to ensure a real "big time" Convention.

The President and Secretary of the Y. D. V. A. attended a meeting of the Convention Committee in Concord on September 28, at which practically every member was present. The Committee was instructed to proceed with all convention plans on its own initiative, merely submitting its proposals to the Executive Committee of the Y. D. V. A. for approval. One of the first acts of the Convention Committee will be the drawing up of a budget, based on the official report of the Portland Committee, modified by such local factors as must be taken into account. Having decided upon the cost of the convention, the registration fee will be fixed and any other sources of revenue decided upon. It is the fixed intent of the committee that the convention shall pay for itself.

Announcement of sub-committee chairmen on Finance, Housing, Publicity, Program will be announced in an early issue of DOINGS.

The Chamber of Commerce has agreed to handle —at no expense—all housing and registration. Definite assurance has been given that adequate and satisfactory housing facilities exist in the four hotels of the city and many attractive homes for far more men than will attend the Convention. Hotel space will be all reserved far in advance of the Convention.

No definite program of events has yet been settled upon, but two or three events are quite certain to be included; the big and colorful street parade, a night battle demonstration by National Guard troops including aviation units; the dedication of a memorial to the late beloved Chaplain LYMAN ROLLINS (101st Inf.) at his grave in a local cemetery. Banquets and regimental reunions will be arranged as the date of the convention approaches.

While in Concord, the President and Secretary of the Y. D. V. A. spent a very pleasant hour with Governor John G. Winant and were assured of his interest and assistance.

Those who still have happy memories of Portland can look forward to a repetition of that joyous event in Concord next June: those who missed out last time will plan to be on hand in 1933.

JUST A SUGGESTION

How about Washington, D. C. for a YD National Convention before too many years? Yes, it's quite a little trip for most of us, but you'd be surprised how cheaply it can be made, with groups travelling together.

It has wonderful possibilities, with impressive ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and at the grave of General EDWARDS, with the thousand and one national monuments, buildings, and shrines which every American should visit.

And best of all, there is in Washington the nucleus of one of the finest YD Convention committees ever assembled in one place, fellows like Gen. SIMONDS (M), Gen. GLASSFORD (M), NATE GOLDEN (M), RAY QUEENIN (M), who have been putting on big shows in a big way down there for years.

A Convention in Washington, in the writer's opinion, would put the YD on the map faster than most anything else.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the election on Monday, September 26, the following officers were elected to serve for the coming year.

Commander—Mark King (M)

1st Vice Commander—S. C. Souza (M)

2nd Vice Commander—James H. Lynch (M)

3rd Vice Commander—Joseph C. Simmons (M)

Adjutant—William P. Riley

Finance Officer—John F. Collins (M)

Sergeant at Arms—Fred L. Jackson (M)

Chaplain—William Davis

Historian—Henry Chapin (M)

Delegates to Suffolk County Council—Robert Duncan, Jr. (M), Fred T. Wilson (M), Thomas McDevitt

Executive Committee—Fred T. Wilson (M), Robert Duncan, Jr. (M), Guy Watts (LM), George Cronin (M), James Wood (M), James Christie (M), William Lawlor (M).

The installation of officers took place at YD Club on Tuesday evening, October 11, too late for an account in this issue. State Commander James P. Rose (M) installed the incoming officers. Jimmie is a member of this post.

SHELL-PROOF DUGOUT

If you want to be reminded of the old days, drop into the YD Club some day, and take a look at the winter quarters of YD Post 290. The Post has outgrown the little corner of the main office where both the Club and the Veterans Association transact their business, and has fitted up the brick vault off the billiard room as its office and headquarters.

It has always had the makings of an ideal dugout, masonry walls and no windows; but you should see it since that artist par excellence, Bill Riley, has finished adorning the walls with such reminiscent scenes as heads in steel helmets, guttering candles, rats nibbling at bits of hardtack, etc. The Post's collection of cups—a hundred more or less—take up a shelf running along one wall. The nifty, shiny drums and bugles are stored at the end, and all the blank spaces on the wall hung with French railway posters, cafe signs, wine lists, etc. SOME dugout!

DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS

The Corps is still on that winning spree. At the State Convention in Lawrence, Mass., they took 1st prize in the 40-8 parade and came in third in the State Competition, being nosed out by Rockland and Marlboro by only a fraction of a point. At Beverly, August 7, they placed third, Marlboro and Lowell leading. At Biddeford, Maine, on October 2, they won first place defeating the State Champions of Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont. This was one of the finest contests ever conducted outside of a National or State Championship contest. Fourteen Corps competed. Now that the Corps has won out over Providence, R. I. State Champions, Rockland, Mass. State Champions, Montpelier, Vt. State Champions, Claremont, N. H. State Champions, our bass drums will probably be labeled—"New England Champions."

—J. H. S. (M)

YD UNIT 290 AUXILIARY AMERICAN LEGION

The October meeting of the Unit was held on Thursday, October 6, at the YD Club. Following reports of regular business, nomination of officers for the coming year were the order of the day. Our rummage sale the first of the month netted the Unit a fair sum. There were quite a lot of things not disposed of which will make a nice start for another sale later in the season perhaps.

Every one "enjoyed themselves splendid" as the old lady said, at our bridge at the Salada Tea Building on October 4. Bertha Campbell certainly did a perfect job as hostess of the occasion and turned into the treasury $32.00, a pleasant result of a most pleasant afternoon.

We are sorry to hear that Floss Welch is on the sick list, and hope she will soon be out and well again.

During September our junior membership was presented with two prospective members. Anna McKenna has a new daughter, Nancy, and from all reports she is a cherub, and Mary Wilcox has made it an even dozen with the arrival of a daughter, Anne. Our congratulations and good wishes to you both.

A gentle reminder, chairmen of committees are to have their annual reports ready for the November meeting.

I hear that some of the girls have been "making spirits"!! Well, Well!!

—E. B. S.

FATHER "BILL" FARRELL (M) ILL

Every reader of DOINGS will be sorry to learn of the long and rather serious illness of one of the best beloved men of the Division, Father "BILL" FARRELL (M). When seen at his home in Groton, Mass., late in September, he seemed to be on the up-grade, although still weak and spending most of his time in bed.

DOINGS requests every reader to drop a card to him at Sacred Heart Parish, Groton. Hearing from or seeing his old YD friends seems to do more toward restoring his health than all the medicine in the world.

"SHORTS"

(Formerly A. P. O. No. 709)

JOHN HOLDEN (M) (Supply Co., 104th Inf.), Melrose patrolman, recently has been receiving much friendly and deserved praise for his act in rushing to the rescue of a boy, struck by lightning on the shore of Indian Lake in Worcester. He took the boy, unconscious, in his own car to the Worcester City Hospital, rather than wait for the ambulance which had been summoned. Holden was visiting the lake at the time with TED NOYES (M), also of the 104th.

GEORGE JOHNSON (B Co., 101st Inf.), is now a customers' man with the firm of H. C. Wainwright & Co., 60 State St., Boston.

INFORMATION WANTED: Anyone knowing the whereabouts of one QUIRK, first name believed to be "John", who served in Hq. Co., 103rd Infantry, and went by the nickname of "Bricky", please inform LEWIS C. PITCHER, 111 Rockwell St., Malden, Mass.

J. A. BEAUDRY (M) (Sup. Co., 102nd F.A.), writes that he met Captain HARRY MITTEN (D Batt., 101st F.A.) because of having a YD radiator emblem on his car. Beaudry had N. Y. plates and Mitten N. J. plates, so each thought the other a replacement, but it turned out they were both "originals" and had served in the same battery at the Border. Says it took four hours to settle which was the indispensable regiment, and that then they had to compromise by agreeing that the M.P.'s won the war.

A memo, without date, left on DOINGS' desk states that EUGENE MCCARTHY (B Co., 101st Inf.), is laid up with a broken arm in Ward H, Boston City Hospital.

FRED M. WREN (M) (103rd Inf.), erstwhile of Rotterdam, whose breezy observations have enlivened the pages of DOINGS, has been returned to home service (consular) and is located at Buffalo, N. Y.

C. N. SMITH (B Co., 101st Engrs.), operates the YD Filling Station on U. S. Route 1, in Wells, Maine.

JACK B. WOOD (M) (103rd M.G. Bn.), who is serving this year as Vice President of the Y. D. V. A. for Vermont, is also Mayor of the city of St. Albans.

Col. EDGAR G. ERICKSON (M.G. Co., 101st Inf.), present Commanding Officer of the 181st Inf., M.N.G., was successful in winning the nomination for state senator in the Worcester district.

On his recent visit to the West Coast as a delegate to the Legion National Convention, ELMER CASEY (M) (F Co., 101st Engrs.), reports meeting the following YD men: GEORGE B. HAZEN (D Co., 101st Engrs.), R 5, Box 137, Salem, Ore.; Lt. Col. A. EARNEST MONTEITH (F Co., 101st Engrs.), 1202 Financial Center Bldg., Los Angeles, Calif.; SAMUEL PAWSEY (F Co., 101st Engrs.), 815 West Fifth St., Los Angeles; and E. G. GRAY (101st F. Sig. Bn.), 1550 Vincent Ave., Portland, Ore.

TAPS

JOHN C. COTTON, formerly of B Co., 101st Field Signal Battalion, died at the Rutland Veterans Hospital, on Friday, September 2. Military funeral was held on September 5, under the direction of Newton (Mass.) Post, No. 48, American Legion. The deceased was a member of the YD Veterans Association.

OTIS M. STUART, formerly of C Company, 101st Engineers, met death allegedly by violence in Auburn, Maine, on September 13. Police claim that he died as result of injuries inflicted when his wife dashed a bowl of acid in his face following a heated altercation. Stuart who was in the hotel business in Auburn, was very highly regarded in that city as well as among the men of his old regiment. He was one of three brothers who served in the same company. DOINGS has not received information as to whether any charge has been placed against Mrs. Stuart.

As sad an incident as has ever come to the attention of this column was the death, in Atlantic City, on August 28, of Mrs. Louise Hamilton Inselbuch, wife of YD's blind veteran, MICHAEL INSELBUCH (M) (103rd F. H.). Known as "the mother of blind soldiers," during and since the war she had devoted her whole life to the interests of blinded soldiers. In the case of her husband, she had been eyes and hands, and through her he has led a life full of interest and activity. To be deprived first of sight and then of his only substitute for sight seems almost more than one man should be called on to bear. YD men everywhere unite in expressing sympathy and the hope that they can be of real service to MIKE INSELBUCH.

JAMES A. MULLEN, formerly of I Co., 101st Infantry, died in Dorchester, on September 22.

DANIEL E. CARROLL, formerly of F Co., 103rd Infantry, died on Sunday, September 4.

WILLIAM B. JOLLEY, formerly of the 101st Field Signal Battalion, died in Denver, Colo., during September, following a brief illness. He was in the employ of the Veterans Administration on the claims and ratings board.

WILLIAM FAHEY, formerly of F Battery, 103rd Field Artillery was drowned in New York state on Friday, September 23. He was buried with a military funeral in Stamford, Conn., on September 27.

IN SUPPORT POSITION

YD AUXILIARY

The Regular Business Meeting was held September 14, at the usual time and place, having as an honored guest, Mrs. Georgia A. Benton, President of the YD Auxiliary of Portland.

In behalf of the Auxiliary Members of Boston who attended the Y. D. V. A. Convention in Portland, the President wishes to convey a gracious "thank you" to Mrs. Benton, and her suite who entertained Boston Auxiliary so lavishly, delightfully and agreeably.

The first fall activity was held at the close of the business meeting and named a BINGO party, Mrs. Allen Smith, Past President, Chairman.

The Annual visit to Rutland Hospital is called for October 16. All Members are cordially invited to join the party. Arrangements are practically the same as for last year.

Mrs. Clara Alsen, Chairman Sewing, reports 12 to 15 afghans to be given to our YD Boys in Rutland. Donate a DAY to our Buddies. We anticipate meeting Auxiliary representatives from Portland, Springfield, Rhode Island. Definite arrangements will be made at the next Business meeting; make an effort to be present.

Members elected to serve on the Committee of Revision of Constitution and By-Laws, were: Mrs. Allen Smith, Past President; Mrs. Corabella Francis, Past President; Mrs. Helen Foss, Past President, Chairman, 33 Hancock St., Boston. The Committee will entertain any written proposal, addressed to the Chairman, received not later than November 1, 1932.

Attention, of DELINQUENTS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS, Annual Dues, are $1.00 per year, all Memberships received before November 1, 1932 will have their names in the roster of the Year Book. Mother A. T. Buswell, Chairman Membership.

To YOU AND YOU AND YOU:

Do you know a Bazaar is held ONCE each year?

Do you know it's held to raise money to aid Disabled YD Veterans?

Do you know that 25, or less, ladies have all the burden of preparation.

Do you know that a Representative FEW have assumed the earning capacity for years and years?

Do you know it is a sacred duty the able owe the disabled?

Do you know "I Am Thy Brothers Keeper"?

Do you know that you are urged to donate SOMETHING for this worthy cause and to mail same to Mrs. Dorothy McLean, Chairman Bazaar, 35 Clarkson St., Dorchester, Mass., phone COL. 7636.

Do YOUR BIT, that the share of maintaining a Welfare Fund, may be equal among us.

Note the CHANGE of date, November 5, for Bazaar. The former date decided upon was found to be on a HOLIDAY, hence the change.

—Helen Foss, Publicity

YD AUXILIARY OF SPRINGFIELD

The YD Auxiliary of Springfield has had a summer full of good times.

Their second combined field day of the season was held at Looh Park, Florence, Mass. As the park afforded outdoor fireplaces, hamburgs and hot dogs were soon sizzling over the coals. After lunch outdoor sports were enjoyed by old and young. After the games another lunch was served and the events of the day were talked and laughed over.

The Auxiliary conducted a whist party at the Pecousic Villa on September 15, and many beautiful prizes were awarded—refreshments were served. Mrs. Mildred Martindale was chairman of the committee.

Two dog roasts were held at Carl Sampson's summer place in East Longmeadow during the summer. After the roasts were over and darkness came on we all gathered around the fire and sang all the old camp songs and Long, Long Trail and Hinky-Dinky Parlez Vous were favorites.

On September 11 a motorcade of about thirty-five cars left G. A. R. Hall to visit Rutland Heights Veterans Hospital. The YD Club procured the 104th Band for entertainment and the auxiliary packed boxes of cigarettes, candy and peanuts. After parking the cars we were met by friendly Mrs. Knott who made us so welcome, we felt as if we were calling upon her at her own home. We distributed box after box of cigarettes and goodies to the veterans while the strains of the band music floated over the grounds. We hope to go there again soon as the fellows do enjoy our visits and especially the cigarettes.

—Jeanie Lowe, Pres.
—Marion A. Hogan, Sec.

101ST ENGINEERS WELFARE ASS'N

The first fall meeting of the 101st Engineers Welfare Assn. was held at the Armory on Monday, October 3. The officers for the coming year are Mrs. B. C. Lyndell, President; Mrs. John F. Collins, Vice President; Mrs. George Parsons, Treasurer; Miss Anna Ellis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. D. Hunter, Jr., Corresponding Secretary.

Arrangements were made for the Bridge at the Salada Tea Co., on Tuesday, October 11. Plans for a bridge at "Moxieland" were made for November. Last year the ladies had a most enjoyable afternoon and we look forward to repeating that pleasant occasion.

We were happy to hear that Mrs. Seth Taylor is able to sit up after a rather long siege in bed. She enjoys seeing any of the ladies that happen to be down at Yarmouthport and loves to receive a "hello" by mail, from one and all of us. Mrs. W. D. Fletcher of Winchester has been confined to her home for the past several weeks and we all miss her from our meetings.

AMONG THE YD CLUBS AND CHAPTERS

Y. D. V. A. CHAPTERS

During the past year there has been a decided revival of interest in the formation of local chapters of the YD Veterans Association. DOINGS here lists the chapters already holding charters of affiliation with the national body, and those now in the process of formation.

Affiliated chapters: YD Club of Boston, YD Club of Washington, YD Club of Portland, YD Club of Springfield, California Chapter.

Chapters organized but not yet officially affiliated: YD Club of Holyoke, New Hamphsire YD Association, Vermont YD Association, YD Club of Lynn, YD Club of Concord, N. H., YD Club of Hawaii, YD Club of Denver, YD Club of Gloucester.

The requirements for affiliation are that every member of the local chapter shall be a member of the national body (the YD Veterans Association). If you are a member of any of the above unaffiliated clubs, or of any YD Club inadvertently omitted here, you can be of service both to your club and to this Association by pointing out to the club the advantages of a national affiliation.

YD CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD (CH)

Membership drive is under way: all signing before November 11 will be considered Charter Members and will have signatures affixed to official charter of Club granted by Y. D. V. A. Club is waiving extra $1.00 local dues and signing members for $2.00 national dues. Two prominent display windows (Albert Steiger Co. and Kennedy Co.) have been donated and are being used in the drive, displaying war souvenirs, etc. Expect to throw big party on our first anniversary, November 23, and receive permanent charter.

Final "hot dog roast" was held at the dug-out of CARL SAMPSON (104th Inf.) at East Longmeadow. Ladies Auxiliary and the kiddies joined in on the party, and all had a great time. HENRY ROUX (M) (D Co., 101st Engrs.) gave us his Indian war dance; BILL BOLACK (M) kept the fire going, while his wife, Edna, kept the coffee pot boiling. JIM ARMESON (M) recited some of his wartime poetry. Fireman DAVE HOGAN couldn't get the day off but was represented by his wife, Marion, who kept the wood pile replenished and qualified for the tall story-teller's club. President ANDY BIRNIE (M) blew in just as the party was breaking up, saying he had been all the evening looking for the place. Andy, by the way, is just leaving for Portland, Conn., where he is going into the gas and oil business: expects New England agency.

"BIG BILL" CONNELLY has just been made Drum Major, Post 21, Legion Drum Corps. Bill was in the 104th Band in Paris. BILL BOLACK (M) (M.G. Co., 104th Inf.) has been made trustee for two years of same Drum Corps, and WHEELER is Corps commander.

"POP" FALES (M) (M.G. Co., 104th Inf.), custodian of G. A. R. Hall, still smokes Dexter cigars, depression or no depression.

MIKE FORD (M) (M.G. Co., 104th Inf.) is moving to Franklin, Mass. Mike said he would ask DAVE HOGAN to drive him down to Boston, only Dave runs out of gas now and then. Hats off to DAVE HOGAN.

—F. J. M. (M)

YD CLUB OF PORTLAND (CH)

On September 27, we had the first meeting of the YD Club of Portland since the Convention, and got away to a good start. We stressed the fact that all YD men are welcome at the meetings whether or not they are members of the Club or the Y. D. V. A., but at the same time urged that they join up as soon as at all possible. The Association will certainly go forward with the return of prosperity.

LAUDIUM E. MORIN (M) (A Co., 101st Engrs.), left for the West Coast the middle of September.

—LOUIS A. DONAHUE (M), President

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, Y. D. V. A. (CH)

We had as our guest September 7, your American Legion State Commander, JIMMY ROSE (M) and LEO LANDRY (M) Commander of Watertown, Mass. Post 99. The meeting adjourned early and the membership went over to the Los Angeles Biltmore Hotel to greet the Massachusetts delegates to the National Convention at Portland. These delegates had to leave the morning of the 8th, so it was not possible to entertain them as comrades usually do.

The 2nd Annual Picnic was held on Sunday, September 11, at Griffith Park to commemorate the anniversary of the St. Mihiel drive. We had a fine turnout and registered a number of new men and relatives of men who served with the division. PETE DRESSER (M), JOHN FOX (M), THADDEUS MEEHAN and JIM RIPLEY were the committee who made the affair such a big success and received a rising vote of appreciation at our last meeting.

The guest speaker for our next meeting will be none other than CHARLIE BRICKLEY, who needs no introduction to the readers of DOINGS. Charlie is out here now and very graciously agreed to come before our group on October 5. We have invited the 2nd Division Association in appreciation of the fine entertainment and feed we enjoyed at their meeting on September 21.

FREDDIE KULDA (M) (101st Amm. Train), is

recovering from a severe eye injury received at the Mack Truck Company where he is shop foreman.

EARL HARRIMAN (M) (104th Amb. Co.), is employed by Uncle Samuel as a special delivery carrier and in the dispatch of his duties shows the same old speed which used to always place him at the head of the mess line.

GEORGE CANNON (M) (Hdqts. Co., 102nd Inf.), left a while ago with Mrs. Cannon on an auto trip to Connecticut. Most of the time will be spent in New Haven, George's old stamping grounds before Horace Greeley told him to go West.

JACK MORSE (M) (D Co., 101st Engrs.), is Vice President of the Dan B. Miner Co., one of the greatest advertising concerns in California. Always busy, Jack is never too occupied to care what is going on in the Chapter or to do his own and somebody's else share of the work.

"CAP" STEVENSON (C Co., 104th Inf.), is another busy man who always finds time to get out to meetings. "Cap" is selling automobiles and we presume would be pleased to talk "trade-in" to all YD'ers who motor to Los Angeles.

And the final paragraph of this letter is one of sadness as we record the death of Mr. G. E. Binns, father of WELLINGTON P. (M) and FRANK M. BINNS (M), both of H Co., 101st Inf. Our Chapter sent a floral piece and a detail to the funeral services. In their great loss our comrades have our deepest sympathy.

—G. K. M. (M)

YD CLUB OF CONCORD, N. H.

At a meeting of YD men in the Legion rooms in Concord, N. H., on the evening of September 28, initial steps were taken to organize a local YD Club, later to become an officially recognized chapter of the YD Veterans Association.

The small gathering was presided over by Dr. ROBERT O. BLOOD (M) who had sent out notices for the assembly, and was addressed by President WILLIAM J. BROWN (LM), and Secretary PHILIP N. SANBORN (M), of the Y. D. V. A., on the desirability of forming a local club for social activity as well as the forming of another link in the chain of Y. D. V. A. chapters. Stress was also laid upon having a local organization of YD men during the National Convention next summer.

The following temporary officers were elected: ANDREW E. SALTMARSH (M) (102nd Inf.), President; and RICHARD W. BROWN (103rd F. A.), Secretary. It was decided to issue the call for a mass meeting within a few weeks of all YD men in Concord and vicinity, at which permanent officers would be elected and a committee appointed to draw up By-Laws. The temporary officers committed the new organization to a policy of adherence to the Y. D. V. A., with a view of complete national affiliation.

The following were present: WILLIAM J. BROWN (LM), National President; Dr. ROBERT O. BLOOD (M), V.P. for New Hampshire; PHILIP N. SANBORN (M), National Secretary; HAROLD M. BERRIE (M), Adjt. of New Hampshire YD Ass'n; ANDREW E. SALTMARSH (M); GEORGE STANLEY ELLIOTT (M); WILLIS DYMENT (Sup. Co., 103rd Inf.); HENRY A. CHENEY (B Co., 103rd M.G. Bn.); WILLIAM J. CALLAHAN (San. Det., 103rd F.A.); CHRISTY MULLAVY (Med. Det., 103rd Inf.); and RICHARD W. BROWN (103rd F.A.)

YD CLUB OF LYNN

The city of Lynn, Mass., has long had a YD Club, which like all the others has had its ups and downs, but has never been quite "out." Early last summer LEON W. VARNUM (M) (E Batt., 101st F.A.), a member of the Lynn Club, called at Y. D. V. A. Headquarters to get information concerning affiliation with the national body, also obtaining a copy of the national constitution and by-laws.

In the last few weeks, due to VARNUM'S (M) efforts, new memberships from Lynn have been coming in, and it is unofficially announced as the intention of the Lynn unit to affiliate with the Y. D. V. A. which requires that all members of the local club must become members of the YD Veterans Association.

YD CLUB OF GLOUCESTER

Things are stirring in a YD way down in the city of fish and summer artists. A group has decided it is about time an official Y. D. V. A. chapter should be organized in town. They have already signed up nine of the required ten members necessary to make application, and do not intend to call a halt until the 200 or more YD men in Gloucester and vicinity are carrying a membership card in their pocket.

YD POST, A. L., NEW HAVEN, CONN.

We really did get going down here and organize a Legion Post and (BOY) how the applications are coming in. Following are the Post officers: Commander, JAMES A. HAGGERTY; 1st Vice Commander, FRANK RIVERS; 2nd Vice Commander, FRED SABINE; Finance Officer and Treasurer, HAROLD DORR; Chaplain, DANIEL W. STRICKLAND.

In view of the present business conditions we are not able at this time to fall in line with our proposed plans which were to subscribe 100% to the Yankee Division Veterans Association but you can rest assured that we mean to do this very thing at the earliest possible moment. We have also decided that a member of our Post desiring to pay his Two Dollars should do so at once and the rest will soon follow. This affiliation means as much to us as ten thousand Legion Posts so you have an idea of our intentions.

—EDWARD J. SULLIVAN, Adjutant

OUTBURSTS FROM THE OLD OUTFITS

101st INFANTRY ITEMS

The Annual Convention of the 101st Infantry Veterans Association in South Boston, on September 8, 9 and 10, comes under the heading of "big news", too big to appear in this usual space. You will find the story on a page of its own in this issue.

A COMPANY

The McConnell Associates (A Company, 101st Infantry) held their Annual Memorial Service at McConnell Park, Savin Hill, Sunday, October 9. YD Drum Corps and YD Post, A. L. attended the services in conjunction with the members of A Company. Charlestown V. F. W. Post attended with colors. Congressman BILLY CONNERY (M), an old member of A Company, delivered the oration. MARK KING (M), Commander of YD Post, another old "A" man, spoke feelingly of his old Captain.

Another speaker was James McConnell, brother of Captain MCCONNELL, who told of the latter's love for his men. ANDY BERNARD (M), former top sergeant was in charge, aided by a committee composed of "CHICK" MCGUINNESS (M), JOHN REA (M), DICK WHITE (M), FRANK SHEA, and JERRY SHINE.

—D. W. (M)

102nd INFANTRY

E COMPANY

E Company, 102nd Infantry will hold its Annual Reunion at New Milford, Conn., on Saturday, October 29: dinner at 8:00 P. M. The first reunion was held there and the committee in charge intends this year to break all records for attendance and good times.

If you are a member of E Company and have not been notified, send your name and address at once to LYNN N. DEMING (M), New Milford, Conn.

1932 Reunion Committee

LYNN N. DEMING (M)
ANDREW MCILVRAY
THOMAS STACK, JR.
TONY D'ANNA

103rd INFANTRY

EARL CRUISE (D Co.) writes from his home in Pulaski, Virginia, that he would be glad to hear from some of his old buddies of Co. D. He is doing legal work. Sends his best regards to Capt. SWETT (M), Sgt. ALFRED DYER (M), Sgt. LIN CARROLL, GEORGE GURNEY, FREDDIE PARENT and "JERRY" JERRETTE.

JOHN LEWIS FRICKIE (E Co.) is sick at the Marine Hospital in New Orleans. He would like to hear from some of his old comrades.

Come on you 103rd'ers and send in some news for our column. Send it either to PHIL SANBORN (M), 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, or to ELLIOTT K. HALE (M), c/o Worumbo Mfg. Co., Lisbon Falls, Maine.

—E. K. H. (M)

FLICKERS FROM THE 104th

E COMPANY

On Saturday, August 20, E Company dedicated a memorial in Orange, Mass., in the form of a large boulder with bronze plaque, inscribed, "In Memory of E Company, 104th Infantry, A. E. F., 26th Division." The memorial is placed in the Phillips Memorial Park, named after Captain PITT PHILLIPS who was killed at Apremont.

GEORGE MCKENNA of Quincy, Commander of the E Co. unit, was general chairman, assisted by AMBROSE RICHARDS, WALTER JOHNSON, and BYRON CUMMINGS. Major JUDSON HANNIGAN was the principal speaker at the dedication; Maj. COLLEY, Maj. JIMMY BROWN (M), Past Commander TOM SHEA (M) of the 104th Ass'n, and THOMAS MCKENNA also spoke. The memorial was unveiled by Mrs. Spooner, mother of RALPH SPOONER who was killed at Apremont. Invocation was by Father McDonald, and the memorial was accepted for the Town of Orange by "POP" MORIN. Mr. Pitt Phillips, father of Capt. PITT PHILLIPS was an honored guest for the two days.

The dedication was preceded by a parade. Col. E. R. GRAY, Chief Marshal; Maj. HARRY L. DOANE (M), Chief of Staff. Staff: Maj. JUDSON HANNIGAN, Maj. COLLEY, Maj. JIMMY BROWN (M), Lt. TOM SHEA

(M), Thomas McKenna. Local military and veteran bodies acted as escort.

Sunday morning, the 21, a clam bake was held at Antioch Farm, with clams, lobsters, sweet corn, chicken, fish, sweet and white potatoes. While the "bake" was steaming, clam chowder, chicken broth, ham and egg sandwiches, coffee and milk were served to keep the hungry ones quiet. The bake was handled by Martin McKenna and Charles O'Lari (the Irish wop) who had 15 vets acting as waiters. Later six of the best dressed of the guests were picked to wait on the waiters—and did.

Some of those present from out-of-town: Joe Gannon (M), Emil Fisher (M), Tom Mackey (M), James B. Casey, John Fallon, Charles Robinson, Edward Fallon, of Boston; Dan Jones (M) and Harry Doane (M) of Worcester; Ernest Bonneau of Rochedale; Francis Gosden of Bristol, Ct.; Lt. George Snell of Boston Police Dept.; William Allingham of Waterbury, Ct.; Robert O'Brien of Brockton; Anthony De Millia of Cambridge; George Day of Holbrook; William Frank of Norwich, Ct.

E Company reported that its Company History is nearly completed.

The YD men of Athol and Orange are going to form a YD Club, and if they ever throw a clambake at Antioch Farm, don't miss it.

—Daniel A. Jones (M)

101ST M.G. BATTALION

Everybody turn out for the Annual Battalion Reunion, at the Oasis Club, East Hartford, Conn., Saturday evening, November 12.

102ND M.G. BATTALION

14TH ANNUAL REUNION, RUTLAND VERMONT, SEPTEMBER 23, 24, 25

The 14th Annual Reunion of the 102nd M.G. Bn. was held at the Hotel Bardwell, Rutland, Vt., on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 23, 24 and 25, 1932. The arrangements were in the capable hands of Ray (Slopsy) Cocklin (M) than whom there is none better. The battalion is fortunate in having a man of his caliber and we are honored by having him elected as the first president of the Y. D. V. A. of Vermont.

Nothing of unusual interest took place outside of registration until a certain car from Boston arrived. These youngsters were loaded among other things with some of these new fire crackers which so closely resemble a one pounder. The result of dropping one of these into one of those tall brass cuspidors is something. The new managements of the hotel were unaccustomed to such doings and made the fatal error of threatening to call the police. Would the gang have enjoyed that? Of course the chief is an honorary member of the Battalion.

The evening and night went along fairly quietly with new recruits arriving from time to time. Many slept as much as an hour. What with songs, rememberings and the damned little switching engine moving carloads of bellowing calves this was a real feat. At last came the dawn and after many mysterious trips by the bell hops and much fizzing of bromides the gang began to fall in for breakfast. How awful food tastes on such a morning.

In another article your regular correspondent will tell you in detail about the members of A company. Let me say here that there was a better showing from B company this time than we have had for some time. Headquarters failed us entirely unless they failed to register. The good old murderer's row from C was missed and we all await some explanation from Pres. Neary (M) as to what happened.

In the afternon the local legion post drum corps headed a parade in which two companies of the 172nd infantry assisted the bottle-scarred veterans to tramp up and down the two main streets of the town. We then retired for much needed rest and stimulants. At six-thirty or as near to that hour as we could assemble the scattered groups, we sat down to a banquet. As this was held in conjunction with the Y. D. V. A. the grand total of 97 filled the hall. As not more than 70 were expected I am afraid some of those there thought that all the chickens had in Vermont was wings and necks. Who wanted to eat anyway? After stuffing ourselves we were entertained by several lovely ladies. Later we saw more of these little girls.

Parties then broke up into small groups and a new night began. One group of millionaires came by plane. Chapin and Martin of B Company were flown up in one of Martin's planes. Hal runs the Dennison Airport in Atlantic, Mass. (adv.) by Jack Dodge who became a machine gunner by adoption for the party.

The local boys crawled away to their homes as fast as they could break away and as day came on the "Furriners" left for other states in their cars. By noon Sunday everyone had left and the city of Rutland took a deep breath and settled down to a lazy life for 364 more days. Several have been seen since that memorable outing and each is convinced that this party exceeded all others.

Have quite a collection of personal news items of the boys, which we will save till next month.

—G. L. Bean, Jr. (M), Sec.

103RD FIELD ARTILLERY

E AND F BATTERIES

Everybody up for the Battalion Reunion of E and F Batteries in Stamford, Conn., on November 11, at 2:00 P. M. Turkey dinner and plenty of real refreshments.

101ST MILITARY POLICE

The Annual Reunion of the 101st Military Police Veterans Association will be held in the State Armory, Concord, Mass., on Saturday, November 5, at 6:30 P. M. The 1931 Reunion, also held in Concord, was the most successful since the war, with an attendance of nearly 200. This year's officers of the Association are: President, WILLIAM MURRAY (M), Natick; Vice President, WILLIAM H. DOLAN (M), Fitchburg; Treasurer, CHARLES E. ACKLEY, Fitchburg; Secretary, JOSEPH M. DEE, Concord.

—J. M. D.

ENGINEER ENTRIES

DOINGS OF D

With our reunion at Portland a memory, we look forward to our next get-together at Concord, N. H. Make your plans early so you will be on deck for the biggest one ever.

ST. LAURENT (M), better known as "George," who by the way is our company treasurer, is right on the job and will in the near future drop you all a letter with some real dope. Give the chap a break by complying with his request.

D Co. was well represented at the Legion Convention at Lawrence. They had four bandmen in the Norwood Legion Band which copped the State Championship for another year. MORROW had his big horn with him, while "Rise & Shine" BABCOCK wields a mean mallet on the bass drum. BLASNEAK and YOULDEN toot their stuff on the T-Rum-Pets.

We hope that "Odds & Ends" WALKER (LM) gets that darn log cabin of his finished up pretty soon so he can get away and be with the boys again.

"SPIDER" GAGNON is now hanging his hat at 65 Lime St., Newburyport. He would be glad to hear from any of the gang.

We had some rare excuses why some of the boys did not go to Portland but the best one was from a man down on the Cape who said he wasn't going because his wife wanted him to.

FANCIES OF F

Your correspondent had the pleasure on October 6, of once more spending a night at the home of CHARLEY GANT (M) in Wilmington, Del. After an evening of reminiscence, we were assigned to a room where pictures of the old regiment and E Company kept us out of bed for a solid hour trying to hitch familiar faces up with forgotten names. The only addition to the Gant menage since our last visit a year ago is a wire-haired terrier who revels in the name of Baron Munchausen. We found him an invaluable substitute for an alarm clock, as, egged on by the two young Gants, Charley, Jr., and Dick, he paid us a lively visit in the early hours. This who's who, with Mrs. Gant, as perfect a hostess as ever drew a latchstring, completes a pleasant picture of an enjoyable visit.

On the same trip we were once more unsuccessful in finding KLUGE (M) at his Greenwich Village apartment. It seems his portly frame had burst the confines of "the village" and he was somewhere on the rolling ocean, deep-sea fishing.

Strange news is that brought back from California by ELMER CASEY (M). Sergeant MONTEITH is now a Lieutenant Colonel, no less. My Gawd, she cried, and we wondered what we had done to have him inflicted on us as a mere sergeant.

Casey also spent some time with the one and only SAM PAWSEY out in L. A. There's a guy we'd like to see.

—P. N. S. (M)

SIGNAL CORPS SIGNALS

GOOD WILL TOUR

by

George Washington Twombly (M)

(Continued from last month)

The middle of the forenoon I stopped in Jeannette to make a ten minute call on ALONZO "FAT" HOUSER. He was wild! Ten minutes!! I stayed until Monday morning and this is what we did. That afternoon we went to Greensburg and called on ROY R. RUGH whose address is R. F. D. Roy was just recovering from an attack of the 'flu and I regret to say that he is not at all well; his nerves are "all shot". On our way back we stopped in to make the acquaintance of Dr. GEORGE L. LONG, Dentist, who used to be with the 104th Infantry. We left his house just as soon as dinner and headed South for the mountains and JIMMIE BAIRD. We reached Myersdale at 1.10 A. M. and got Jim out of bed: about two o'clock, when he found that we were going to stick around, he dressed. A little later we went out and ate, and then returned to his house for coffee. It was a large night.

Next day, we arose for dinner, and, as soon as we had finished, Lon asked if I wanted to go to McDonald. I told him that anything was disagreeable to me and that it was up to him—but that I'd like to go. So we called up ALLAN STRAYER, 1038 Beaver Ave., Midland, Pa., and asked him to meet us at the home of AUGUST S. DEVOS, 114 Center Ave., McDonald, Pa. It was raining like the deuce but we reached there, Allan arriving first. This was all a surprise to August. When Lon and I went in, there were the other two with the C Co. Panorama (Camp Devens picture) spread out on the table and they were trying to identify each other! August was glad of his "surprise party" and so were we.

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